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#### 3501.000 Scope of part.

This part sets forth basic policies and general information about the Panama Canal Commission Acquisition Regulation, referred to as the PAR, and its relationship to the Federal Acquisition Regulation, referred to as the FAR.

#### Subpart 3501.1—Purpose, Authority, Issuance

##### 3501.101 Purpose.

(a) The Federal Acquisition Regulations System brings together, in title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), the acquisition regulations of all executive agencies of the United States Government. This subpart establishes the PAR as chapter 35 of title 48, CFR. The FAR, which is the primary document for all agencies within this system, is issued as chapter 1 of title 48, CFR.

(b) The purpose of the PAR is to implement the FAR where further implementation is needed and to supplement the FAR when coverage is needed for subject matter not contained in the FAR. The PAR is not, by itself, a complete regulation. It must be used in conjunction with, and is subordinate to, the FAR.

##### 3501.102 Authority.

The PAR and amendments thereto are issued by the Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission (Commission) pursuant to the authority of section 205(c) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 486(c)), as amended, and other applicable law.

##### 3501.103 Applicability.

The FAR and the PAR apply to all acquisitions of the Commission, except where expressly excluded.

##### 3501.104 Issuance.

##### 3501.104-1 Publication and code arrangement.

(a) The PAR is published in—

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- (1) The FEDERAL REGISTER;
- (2) Cumulated form at 48 CFR chapter 35; and
- (3) A separate loose-leaf form.

### 3501.104-2 Arrangement of regulations.

(a) *General.* The PAR is divided into the same parts, subparts, sections, subsections and paragraphs as is the FAR. However, when the FAR coverage is adequate by itself, there will be no corresponding PAR coverage.

(b) *Numbering.* (1) Where the PAR implements the FAR, the implementing part, subpart, section or subsection of the PAR will be numbered and captioned, to the extent feasible, the same as the FAR part, subpart, section or subsection being implemented except that the implementation will be preceded with a 35 or a 350 such that there will always be four numbers to the left of the decimal. For example, the PAR implementation of FAR 1.104-1 is shown as 3501.104-1 and the PAR implementation of FAR subpart 24.1 is shown as subpart 3524.1. Similarly, individual paragraphs at the section and subsection levels of the PAR correspond, to the extent feasible, to the FAR paragraph designations that are being implemented.

(2) Material which supplements the FAR as new parts, subparts, sections, or subsections will be assigned the numbers 70 and up. For example, there is no FAR coverage on the preferential acquisition of supplies and services obtainable in the Republic of Panama as provided for in Article IX of the Agreement in Implementation of Article III of the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977. This supplementary material is identified as part 3570.

(3) Because the PAR implements the FAR only where further implementation is necessary, there are gaps in the PAR numbering and paragraphing sequence. For example, the PAR skips from part 3510 to part 3513, from subpart 3501.4 to subpart 3501.6, and from section 3501.301 to section 3501.303 because the FAR coverage at parts 11 and 12, subpart 1.5, and section 1.302, respectively, does not require further implementation. Similarly, section 3501.405 of the PAR begins at paragraph (d) because paragraphs (a), (b), and (c)

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at FAR 1.405 do not require further implementation.

(c) *References and citations.* (2) This regulation may be referred to as the Panama Canal Commission Acquisition Regulation or the PAR. References to PAR material outside this regulation may be cited in informal documents as PAR followed by the identifying number. For example, this subparagraph would be informally cited as PAR 3501.104-2(c)(2). In formal documents outside this regulation, such as legal briefs, references to PAR material should include reference to title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations. For example, this subparagraph would be formally cited as 48 CFR 3501.104-2(c)(2).

(3) References to FAR or PAR material within this regulation will be made as follows:

(i) FAR parts or subparts will be referred to in those terms followed by the identifying number—for example, FAR part 1; FAR subpart 1.1. FAR subdivisions below the subpart level (i.e., sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, or subdivisions) will simply state FAR followed by the identifying number—for example, FAR 1.104-2(c)(3)(i).

(ii) PAR parts or subparts will be referred to only as part or subpart followed by the identifying number—for example, part 1; subpart 1.1. PAR subdivisions below the subpart level will simply indicate the identifying number—for example, this subdivision would be cited as 3501.104-2(c)(3)(ii).

### 3501.104-3 Copies.

Copies of the PAR in FEDERAL REGISTER and CFR form may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office (GPO), Washington, DC 20402. Copies of the loose-leaf PAR are distributed within the Panama Canal Commission and may be obtained from the Administrative Services Division, Records Management Branch, telephone (507) 52-7642.

### 3501.105 OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

The information collection and recordkeeping requirements contained in